god with assistance of Government of Switzerland.

Fishing Harbour in Kerala

6756. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Kerala has submitted to the Union Government a development project of Thottapally fishing harbour in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The project report for development of Thottapally Fish Landing Centre in Kerala has been received in the last week of March, 1992. Detailed examination of the same for technical feasibility has been taken up.

Hydroponics

6757. SHRI P. C. THOMAS: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether researches are being conducted to cultivate rice and other crops by Hydroponics;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to promote cultivation of various crops by Hydroponics?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

National Centre for DNA Finger printing

6758. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to set up a National Central for DNA Finger printing;

(b) if so, the location thereof and the estimated capital outlay involved in this project;

(c) whether evidence through DNA Finger printing would be legal; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken to amend the relevant portions of the Criminal Procedure Code and other relevant laws?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposed Centre would be located at Hyderabad and it is estimated to cost Rs. 432 lakhs.

(c) and (d). Legally, there is no bar in the acceptance of the evidence based on DNA Finger printing.

Children Going for Militancy in Kashmir

6769. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that minor children in Jammu and Kashmir have take the path of militancy;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the places where these children get training; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to breing these children back to the national mainstream?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (d). The Government of Jammu & Kashmir have informed that it had come to their notice that some minor youth joined terrorist gangs and received training in Pakistan as well as by other Pakistani trained terrorists perhaps under duress, monetary inducements or fundamentalist propaganda. The Administration has taken steps through publicity etc. To persuade the minor children not to fall victims to terrorist pressures. Also, the terrorists, including minors, are exhorted through publicity to surrender to the authorities.

Drug Offences Committed by Nigerians

6760. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether out of 234 foreigners arrested in India in 1990 for drug offences; 104 were Nigerians;

(b) if so, the nature of their offences;

(c) whether the Government have taken up this matter with the Nigerian and other International authorities; and

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b). Yes, out of 234 foreigners arrested in 1990 in the country for offences under NDPS Act, 104 were Nigerians and in almost all the cases, the nature of offences was possession of narcotic drugs, mainly heroin.

(c) and (d). The Nigerian authorities have been informed of the widespread involvement of Nigerian nationals in hero in trafficking. Instructions have been issued to to State Government/U. T. Administrations for expeditious disposal of such cases against foreign nationals.

United Nations Conference on Environment and Development

6761. SHRI SHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL:
SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR:
SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the stand to be taken and the strategy to be adopted by India during the forthcoming United Nations Contruence on Environment and Development (Earth Summit) to be held at Rio de Janerio in Brazil;

(b) whether the Government propose to table the proposals put forward by the former Prime Minister Shri Rajiv Gandhi for the creation of a Plant Protection Fund during the Conference;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;